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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. §132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of a utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995. See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application Number	08/811,152
Filing Date	March 4, 1997
First Named Inventor	Yoshiharu Hirakata, et al.
Group Art Unit	2871
Examiner Name	T. Chowdhury
Attorney Docket Number	07977-132001

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. §1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on _____
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered)
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
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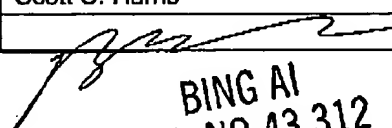
2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other _____

3. Fee The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. §1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 08-1050
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) \$740
- ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§1.136 and 1.17) \$290 (\$400 minus \$110 paid previously)
- iii. ☒ Other Additional claims -- \$420
- b. ☐ Check in the amount of \$_____ enclosed
- c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

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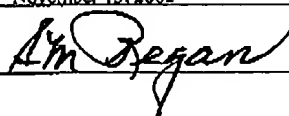
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Serial No.: 08/811,152 Examiner : T. Chowdhury
Filed : March 4, 1997 Confirmation No. 9805
Title : LIQUID CRYSTAL DISPLAY DEVICE WITH A COMMON
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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Kindly amend the above-referenced application as follows.

In the Claims:

Please cancel ~~claims 4-10~~ and ~~21-27~~ without prejudice.

Please add the following new claims 138-165.

138. A liquid crystal display device comprising:

B' a substrate;

a thin film transistor over said substrate;

a first interlayer insulating film over said thin film

transistor;

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